

I'll admit i haven't read the petition or the counter argument too closely, but i'll say this much of a certainty: Having driven transport truck (&trailer) across country for about 6 months, and having access to the XMRadio service, I can tell you that our (i was driving team at the time) driving was safer and much more pleasant for having the service, and heres how/why i say this.

- by not having to futz with the radio every 100miles when we changed cities, it allowed us to stay focused on the road. That same not having to futz meant we didn't have to pull over and waste time futzing with the radio to find a radio station to listen to that wouldn't fade out.

- by not having to worry about loosing our favourite song midway through play, it allowed our stress level to lower greatly. XMRadio also has a number of specialized channels that were of interest. Especially the 'truckers channel'.

- When we listened to the weather channels it was nice to know what we were going to be driving into, so we could be prepaired ahead of time. It would be doubly nice to have a more specific set of information about the weather in local areas that the current stations cannot provide. If XMRadio broadcasted live uptothe minute realtime satellite images of weather for the different areas, we'd have, and would buy the monitor display in a heart beat. Knowing your driving into high winds with a load of battery acid in the back, allows you to slow down BEFORE you feel the first gust of wind (that subsequently ends up tipping your trailer over.)

- lastly, (now for my personal political opinion,) if the NAB is allowed to squash the 'free enterprise' of an insightfull company thats only trying to provide the nation of listeners with what it wants; instead of force feeding them the drivel, (of coporate busybodies who don't listen to the very stations they own,) want u to hear. Then I will greatly consider the decision to be biased on the basis of political money mongering and favouritism for 'old school money' and stagnation. Thus promoting an unhealthy business invironment and an unhealthy social economy as well as an unhealthy society. Afterall, if what the public listens too makes them angry then everything else suffers. If what they listen to makes them happy, then everything else benefits: either directly or indirectly.

Thank you for this opportunity to explain how i feel on this matter. Please do not allow the NAB to rule over XMRadio.